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The following is forwarded from a PACS-L posting. (Apologies to Mark McCahill for not first requesting specific permission to do so.

Does Gopher have relevance to wais? Can it be used somehow to enable wais source searchers to get a printout of the text of selected documents (or a list of the titles of the documents that wais selected? Is there some other way to achieve this - to get a hard copy of selected wais search results? The users of our (eventual) Music and the Brain database would find this capability VERY useful.

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Subject: PC Gopher Client Software
To: Multiple recipients of list PACS-L <PACS-L@UHUPVM1>

PC Gopher Client Software

Sender: Campus-Wide Information Systems <CWIS-L@WUVM.D.BITNET>
From: "Mark P. McCahill" <mpm@BOOMBOX.MICRO.UMN.EDU>
Subject: new release of PC gopher client software available

Version 1.1 of the PC Gopher client is now available by anonymous
FTP from boombox.micro.umn.edu in the directory
pub/gopher/PC_client/version_1.1

About Gopher:

The Internet Gopher is a distributed document delivery service.

It allows a neophyte user to access various types of data residing on multiple hosts in a seamless fashion. This is accomplished by presenting the user a hierarchical arrangement of documents and by using a client-server communications model. In addition to browsing through hierarchies of documents, gopher users can submit queries to gopher search servers. The search servers typically have full-text indexes for a set of gopher documents; the response to a query is a list of documents that matched the search criteria.

Internet Gopher servers accept simple queries (sent over a TCP connection), and respond by sending the client a document or a list of documents. Since this is a distributed protocol there can be many servers... but the client software hides this fact from the user. We currently use this technology at the University of Minnesota to help support microcomputer users... a couple of gopher servers have 6000-7000 computer Q&A items that users can search for answers to their questions. In addition, there are also gopher servers with recipes and other fun stuff.

The PC Gopher client runs on most networked PCs, but requires that you have loaded the appropriate Clarkson packet driver for your network ethernet card. The PC gopher software has a TurboVision user interface so both keyboard and mouse are supported... and you don't need to run MS Windows.

If you want more information about the Gopher protocol, you can anonymous FTP to boombox.micro.umn.edu and look in the /pub/gopher directory tree. Currently there are gopher clients for Mac, PC and Unix (curses-based) available from the University of Minnesota. The University of St. Thomas wrote a NeXT gopher client available for anonymous ftp from
cs.stthomas.edu (140.209.5.1)
directory gopher, file Gopher_1.0b.tar.Z (51605 bytes).

Note that you can also access the gopher system via telnet sessions to consultnat.micro.umn.edu (log in as "gopher").

You can subscribe to a mailing list for announcements of new gopher servers and software by sending a request to:
gopher-news-request@boombox.micro.umn.edu

You can send e-mail to the gopher development team at:
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"Give me your boots, your clothes, and your motorcycle."
-Arnold Schwarzeneger